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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 16-121

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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the PATENT APPLICATION of  
Inventor(s): Dennis A. Borugian

For (Title): **SYSTEM FOR PREVENTING UNAUTHORIZED TRAILER  
UNCOUPLING**

This new application is for a(n):

☒ Original ☐ Design ☐ Divisional  
☐ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

Papers enclosed are:

26 Pages of Specification  
4 Pages of Claims  
1 Pages of Abstract  
10 Sheets of Drawings (☒ formal/ ☐ informal)  
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Other  
☒ Declaration or Oath (☒ executed by inventor(s))  
☐ Applicant is a Small Entity  
☒ Assignment to Volvo Trucks North America, Inc.  
☒ Cover sheet for Assignment accompanying new patent application

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY U.S. EXPRESS MAIL**

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date March 6, 2002 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL860973460US addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**Claim For Benefit of Prior US Provisional Application - 35 U.S.C. §119(e)**

XXX The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior US provisional application(s) :

<u>60/332,660</u>	<u>November 19, 2001</u>
Provisional Application Number	Filing Date

**Relate Back--35 U.S.C. 120**

\_\_\_ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Amend the Specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

"This is a

- \_\_\_ continuation
- \_\_\_ continuation-in-part
- \_\_\_ divisional

of copending application(s)

\_\_\_ serial number \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_

Inventorship Statement

**The inventorship for all the claims in this application are:**

\_\_\_ the same.

**Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application**

\_\_\_ A petition, fee and response extends the term in the pending prior application until \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_ A copy of the petition filed in prior application is attached.

**Abandonment of Prior Application (if applicable)**

\_\_\_ Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

**Fee Calculation**

CLAIMS AS FILED				
Number filed		Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
				\$740.00
Total				
Claims	23	-20= 3	x \$18.00=	54.00
Independent				
Claims	4	- 3= 1	x \$84.00=	84.00
Multiple				
Dependent Claim(s), if any			\$280.00=	

Total Filing Fee Calculation \$ 878.00

   Design Application Filing Fee Calculation \$   


   Filing Fee for a Small Entity (50%) \$   

XX Fee for Recording Assignment (\$40) \$ 40.00

XX Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ 918.00

   Charge Deposit Account No. 23-0630 in the amount of \$   

x The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0630.

  
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